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Breaking News

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Honda urges action on aviation security

U.S. Rep. Mike Honda, D-San Jose, on Thursday called for action on measures to increase airline security, noting that it's been "more than six weeks since the Sept. 11 terror attacks and the House of Representatives has still not produced a comprehensive aviation security bill."

He says while the Senate has approved such a measure, the House remains stalled in a political battle between those who want to federalize airport baggage screeners and those who don't.

No action is expected before next week. "They're gone, they're gone," an aide to the congressman says referring to the House breaking for the weekend on Thursday.

Mr. Honda, who serves on the House Aviation Subcommittee, has introduced legislation that he says would improve airport security through the use of cutting edge technologies. He also supports federalizing security screening.



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